



Background: (May be attributed to the “Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston”)

Father Terence Brinkman:

In July of 2010, a lawsuit was filed alleging that Father Terence Brinkman had sexually abused a minor during the 1970s. Prior to that lawsuit being filed, an attorney for the plaintiff, identified as “John Doe,” had previously notified the Archdiocese of the alleged abuse in 2006— at which point the Archdiocese reached out to Mr. Doe to gain more information. Through a succession of three attorneys representing Mr. Doe, he refused to address his allegations before the Archdiocesan Review Board.

Mr. Doe also provided a physical description of the priest that allegedly abused him that does not match Father Brinkman.

We are not aware what, if any, reporting Mr. Doe or his 3 separate attorneys made to law enforcement, but the parishioners of Father Brinkman’s parish at the time were notified of the allegation. The matter was also reported in the media. We are attaching a letter read to the Parishioners.

To our knowledge, Mr. Doe’s allegation is the only such complaint lodged against Father Brinkman in his 45 years as a priest.